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4, 1885, and ordained by the same Presbytery, April 30, 1886, being at the same time installed pastor of the Wharton Street Church, Philadelphia, and was released from this charge, April 1, 1880. From this date until 1805 he engaged in evangelistic work in Great Britain and America. He was pastor of the Twenty-third Avenue Church, Denver, Colo., from June 23, 1895, to June 24, 1901. He then engaged again in evangelistic work, with his residence in Winona Lake, Ind., in Chicago, Ill., until 1908, and in Denver, Colo., from that date until 1920. He was pastor of the Aurora Church of Denver, from May 9, 1920, to May 27, 1927, when he retired and became pastor emeritus. He continued his residence in Denver until his death there. July 8, 1930, of heart failure, in the 72nd year of his age. He was buried in the Fairmount Cemetery of Denver. He received the degree of D.D. from Highland University, Kansas, in 1902. He was a commissioner to the General Assembly in 1927. He published: "Evangelization of a Great City," 1890; "Inquirers' Guide for a Happy Christian Life," 1894, and "Guide to Prayer and Personal Work," 1896.

He was twice married: (1) May 30, 1887, in Philadelphia, Pa., to Florence May Booth, who died Aug. 4, 1903; (2) February 14, 1907, in North Kingsville, Ohio, to Jennie M. Crouch, who, with one son by his first marriage and two by his second and one daughter by his first marriage and two by his second, survives him.

#### LOUIS FITZGERALD BENSON, D.D.,

Son of Gustavus Smith and Margaretta FitzGerald (Dale) Benson, was born July 22, 1855, in Philadelphia, Pa. He made a public confession of his faith in the West Spruce Street Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia, at the age of fifteen. His preparatory studies were pursued at the Academy of the Protestant Episcopal Church of Philadelphia, and he graduated from the

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University of Pennsylvania in 1874. He then engaged in the study of law and was admitted to the Philadelphia Bar in October 1877, and engaged in the practice of law until entering the Seminary. He entered the Seminary at Princeton in 1884, taking the full three years' course there, and graduating in 1887. He was licensed by the Presbytery of Philadelphia, June 7, 1886, and ordained by the Presbytery of Philadelphia North, May 10, 1888, being at the same time installed pastor of the Church of the Redeemer, Germantown, Pa., and was released from this charge April 17, 1894. He resigned in order that he might devote his time to the editing of hymnals, with his residence in Germantown until 1895 and then in Philadelphia until his death. He died Oct. 10, 1930, in Philadelphia, of heart failure following a stroke, in the 76th year of his age. He was buried in the Laurel Hill Cemetery, Philadelphia. He received the degree of D.D. from the University of Pennsylvania in 1896. He was a trustee of the Presbyterian Hospital in Philadelphia, a member of the Presbyterian Board of Publication and Sabbath School Work, and later of the Board of Christian Education, from 1891 until his death. He was honorary librarian of the Presbyterian Historical Society. He was editor of the "Journal of the Presbyterian Historical Society" from 1903 to 1911. He was a special lecturer in liturgics in Auburn Theological Seminary in 1902, and was the Stone lecturer in Princeton Seminary in 1907, 1910 and 1926. He was the author and editor of many books. He published: "Hymns and Verses," 1897; "The Best Church Hymns," 1898; "Best Hymns-a Hand-book," 1899; "Studies of Familiar Hymns," 1903; "The English Hymn-Its Development and Use in Worship," 1915; "Hymns Original and Translated," 1925, and the "Hymnody of the Christian Church," 1927. He edited the hymnal published by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, which came out in several editions. He also edited the "Chapel Hymnal," 1898, and the "School NECROLOGICAL REPORT

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Hymnal," 1899. In conjunction with Dr. Henry van Dyke he edited the "Book of Common Worship," 1906, the "Book of Family Worship," 1917, and the "Book of Worship for Soldiers and Sailors," 1917. He made contributions to the "Journal of the Presbyterian Historical Society" and to "Julian's Dictionary of Hymnology," second edition.

He was married June 1, 1887, in Philadelphia, to Caroline Perot Warren, who died April 20, 1929. Two daughters survive him.

#### THOMAS EDWARD BARR,

Son of Edward and Millia (Webb) Barr, was born April 21, 1860, in Bedford, Lawrence County, Ind. He made a public confession of his faith in the First Presbyterian Church of Frankfort, Ind., at the age of fourteen. His preparatory studies were pursued at the Lake Forest Academy, Lake Forest, Ill., and he graduated from Lake Forest University in 1885. Entering the Seminary at Princeton in the fall of the same year, he remained only one year. He was licensed by the Presbytery of Forth Wayne, April 21, 1885, and ordained by the Presbytery of Huntingdon, Oct. 28, 1886, being at the same time installed pastor of the churches of Snow Shoe and Moshannon, Pa., from which he was released, June 13, 1887. He was pastor of the First Church of Beloit, Wis., from Sept. 30, 1887, to Mar. 24. 1890; pastor of the First Church of Racine, Wis., from Sept. 16, 1890, to Jan. 30, 1892; served as pastor-elect of the First Church of Kalamazoo, Mich., from Feb. 1802 to Feb. 1893; was stated supply of the First Congregational Church of Kalamazoo, from 1893 until installed its pastor, Nov. 16, 1894. being released from this charge in 1897; was stated supply of Christ Church, Elmhurst, Mich., from 1897 to 1898. After this he engaged in business, selling patent inventions of his own. He withdrew from the Congregational Church in April 1899. He

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